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In re patent application of:	Group Art Unit: 1645
WENYUAN SHI and MAXWELL H. ANDERSON	Examiner: R. ZEMAN
Serial No. 09/378,577	
Filed: August 20,1999	
For: METHOD FOR THE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF DENTAL CARIES	

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Hon. Assistant Commissioner
Of Patents
Washington, D.C., 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 26, 2001. Applicant has extended the date for response by three months up to and including July 26, 2001 by Petition and fee filed herewith. 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a)(1) and 1.17(a)(3).

Kindly amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

1. (Amended). A method for the treatment and prevention of dental caries in a mammal comprising oral administration of a chimeric monoclonal antibody that specifically binds to [a] at